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REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action that was mailed on October 14, 2005. New claims 5 and 6 are added, based upon Example 1. No new matter is introduced. Claims 1-6 are pending in the application.

Restriction was required between: (I.) claims 1, 3, and 4, and (II.) claim 2. Applicants elect the invention identified by the Examiner as Group (I.), with traverse. Applicants respectfully traverse the requirement for restriction on the ground that the inventions of claims 1, 3, and 4 on the one hand and claim 2 on the other hand are so inter-linked as to be most conveniently and most properly examined together in this application.

Election of species with respect to component (C) of the claimed liquid epoxy resin compositions was also required. Applicants elect the species spherical silica. Each of claims 1-6 reads on spherical silica.

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